Town of Vernon **Conservation Commission Meeting Special Meeting**

7:30pm

Meeting Minutes - APPROVED RECEIVED VERNOUT THEM CLERK

Probate Conference Room, 1st FL 17 FEB 28 AH 10: 04

Vernon Town Hall, 14 Park Place Rockville / Vernon, CT

1. Call to Order & Roll Call

Meeting was called to order at 7:30pm by Chairman Ryan Goad. Present were Commission members James Simon and Richard Clark.

Staff Present: Town Planner Marina Rodriguez

Recording secretary: Kathleen Minor

2. Administrative Actions

A. Acceptance of minutes of October 17, 2016 meeting.

A motion to accept the minutes of the October 17, 2016 meeting was made by Chairman Ryan Goad. James Simon seconded and the motion passed unanimously

B. Communications Received

- Habitat Fall 2016 newsletters
- CT River Watershed Water Council 2016

Town Planner Marina Rodriguez presented a letter dated October 13, 2016 addressed to the commission from Town Administrator John Ward asking for comments regarding the potential sale of Town owned property located at 97 Main Street. This was to be reviewed at the November meeting that was cancelled. After review, Chairman Ryan Goad made a motion for Marina Rodriguez to communicate to Administration that the Commission has no concerns with sale of property. James Simon seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

C. Letters sent by Conservation Commission last month

None

D. Organizational considerations

No discussion.

E. Annual Meeting Schedule

The 2017 meeting schedule was presented and discussed. The meeting will remain on the standard third Monday of each month with the exception of January, February and November of 2017 and January of 2018.

Commissioner Ryan Goad made a motion to accept the 2017 meeting schedule as presented. Richard Clark seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

3. Open Space Program Update

No discussion

4. New Business

A. Application Review and Comments

Application [PZ-2016-19] of Garrett Homes LLC for a Special Permit/Site Plan of Development to construct a Retail Store (Dollar General) at #1188 Hartford Turnpike (Assessor's ID: Map#43, Block#68, Lot/Parcel #30).

• The application was reviewed and discussed.

Richard Clark made a motion that after review there are no comments or concerns regarding what was presented. Ryan Goad seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

B. Natural Resources Update

Bolton Lakes Issues

Nothing to report

Future Activities

Chairman Ryan Goad reminded the Commission that the bi-annual Greater Vernon Holistic Healthfest is scheduled for March 2017.

5. Other Goals

There is a need for more commission members.

6. Adjournment

Chairman Ryan Goad motioned to adjourn the meeting. James Simon seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:21pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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Kathleen Minor

Recording Secretary